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INVENTION: MOLECULES THAT HOME TO A SELECTED ORGAN IN VIVO

TO COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

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By: Andrea L. Gashler, Reg. No.: 41,029

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Transmitted herewith is Response to Office Action mailed November 20, 2000, in connection with the above-identified application.

- X Small Entity status of this application has been established under 37 CFR 1.27 by a verified statement previously submitted.
- <u>X</u> Petition for a One Month Extension of Time is enclosed (in duplicate).
- X No additional claims fee is required.
- An additional claims fee is required and has been calculated as shown below:

## CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	NUMBER AFTER AMEND- MENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR		NUMBER OF EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENTED		RATE		FEE		
							SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY		SMALL ENTITY	OTHER ENTITY
TOTAL CLAIMS	29	-	29	-	0	х	\$9	\$18	=	\$0	\$
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	15	_	15	-	0	х	\$39	\$78	=	\$0	\$
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM			YES		XNO		\$130	\$260	=	\$0	\$
							TOTAL ADDITION	AL FEE		\$0	\$

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- $\underline{\mathbf{x}}$  A check in the amount of **\$55.00** is enclosed, \$55.00 of which covers the small entity fee for the one-month extension of time.

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 $\underline{X}$  Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R.

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Respectfully submitted,

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## RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Responsive to the Office Action mailed

November 20, 2000, entry of the following amendments and

consideration of the following remarks respectfully is requested.

## **AMENDMENTS**

Please amend the following claims:

14. (Twice Amended) An isolated [A] peptide that

selectively homes to brain, consisting of the amino acid sequence:

 $X_1SRLX_2$  (SEQ  $\frac{1}{4}D$  NO: 45),

wherein  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  each is 1 to 10 independently selected amino acids

and wherein said peptide exhibits at least two-fold greater specific binding to brain than to kidney.

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